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SUBJ: ALLEGATIONS OF THE INDIAN MINISTER S.D. SHARMA

REF: NEW DELHI 2363

1. THE DCM ON FEBRUARY 17 HANDED JOINT SECRETARY TEJA A PAPER QUOTING SEVERAL PRESS REPORTS OF SHARMA'S ALLEGATIONS THAT A US OFFICIAL DISTRIBUTED MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO THE OPPOSITION IN GUJARAT. THE DCM SAID THAT THE AMBASSADOR HAD MADE THE US POSITION IN REGARD TO SUCH ALLEGATIONS QUITE CLEAR IN HIS PROTEST TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER. THE DCM ASKED TEJA TO ASCERTAIN WHAT WAS THE BASIS FOR THESE OBVIOUSLY FALSE ALLEGATIONS. TEJA REPLIED HE WOULD TAKE THE MATTER UP. HE REPORTED THAT IN RESPONSE TO A PREVIOUS EMBASSY REQUEST REGARDING A PRESS REPORT THAT THE POLICE IN INDORE HAD SEIZED CERTAIN CIA DOCUMENTS HE HAD REQUESTED A REPORT BUT DID NOT YET HAVE THE RESULTS.

2. COMMENT: AS FURTHER ALLEGATIONS AGAINST THE US OCCUR THE EMBASSY IS STANDING ON THE AMBASSADOR'S PROTEST. WHEN OBVIOUSLY INACCURATE FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS
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ARE MADE WE ARE, HOWEVER, BRINGING THEM TO GOI ATTENTION

BY ASKING FOR A REPORT ON THE BASIS OF SUCH ALLEGATIONS.
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